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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application: Simonds et al.
Serial No.: 10/729,094
Filed: December 3, 2003
Art Unit: 3672
Examiner: Thomas S. Bomar
For: Apparatus and Method for Completing an
Interval of a Wellbore While Drilling

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Response Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated November 1, 2005 due for reply by February 1, 2006. Applicant has enclosed herewith a petition and fee for a one-month extension of time extending the date for reply to March 1, 2006. In view of the following remarks, allowance of the pending claims in this application is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2;

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3; and

Remarks being on page 16.